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CIA Plot Revealed To Defy JFK During 1961 Cuba Invasion

THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY conspired to go ahead with the April, 1961, invasion of Cuba even if President Kennedy called off the attack at the last minute. This was revealed by four Cuban agents of the CIA, who were among the top organizers of the ill-fated attempt.

Their disclosure was reported in a new book, entitled "The Bay of Pigs" by Haynes Johnson, Washington reporter. It was published by W. W. Norton.

The CIA has remained silent on these revelations of an anti-Kennedy plot, despite the fact that it had the proofs of the book for some time before it was put on sale.

The doublecrossing role of the CIA was exposed by four leaders of invasion Brigade 2506, Manuel Artino, Jose Perez Roman, Erneido Olivia and Enrique Ruiz-Williams.

The book's revelations give emphasis to the charges in Congress and elsewhere in Washington and in the nation that the CIA has become a government above the government of the U.S., with the power to develop its own foreign and domestic policy and to carry out actions, independent of and even in defiance of the will of the Presidency and Congress.

Allen W. Dulles, an old hand at intrigue, was chief of the CIA, when this conspiracy was proposed.

According to the Johnson book, in April, 1961, on the eve of the invasion, Olivia and San Roman were ordered to a secret parley at Base Trax, a CIA training base for the invasion, in Guatemala. At this meeting, they were briefed by a CIA agent, whom the two Cuban renegades knew only as "Frank."

This "Frank" told them that



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there were people in the Kennedy administration who were aiming at calling off the Cuban invasion. He claimed that he, "Frank," might be ordered to cancel the invasion attempt. "Frank" then told San Roman and Olivia that he would let them know at once secretly if he received such orders from Washington. Then, the Johnson book reports San Roman as recalling "Frank's instructions thus:

"If this happens you come here and make some kind of show, as if you were putting us, the advisers, in prison, and you go ahead with the program as we have talked about it, and we will give you the whole plan, even if we are your prisoners."

As San Roman recalled it, "Frank" gave explicit instructions as to how to proceed, detailing an armed guard to each American's door, halting communications with the outside world, until he gave the orders for leaving for the advance base for the invasion.

When the Cuban renegades

asked "Frank" who were those opposed to the invasion, he was vague, calling them "forces in the administration," or "politicians," or "chiefs above."

"Frank" gave the Cuban renegades the shock of their lives when he declared that if the Kennedy administration gave him the order to cancel the invasion, "I have also orders from my bosses, my commanders, to continue anyway."

Johnson declares in his book that the Cuban chiefs of the invasion attempt "never doubted that he ("Frank") was speaking for his superiors."